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REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Answer dated April 1, 2005, Appellant hereby requests an oral hearing before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences in the Appeal of the above-identified application.

Enclosed herewith is a check in the amount of \$1000.00 which covers the fee for this Request. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which

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